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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Officer,
Technical Services & Support Group

SUBJECT : Position Classification and Upgrading

1. RED was requested to comment on [] memorandum to Chief, TSSG, dated 24 February 1970, covering the above subject. RED is generally in agreement that the GS-13 would be a realistic journeyman level for Project Officers, with the following caveat:

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a. it is important that at the same time an agreement be reached that this journeyman level relates only to non-supervisory positions;

b. that all Section Chiefs and Deputy Branch Chiefs be graded at the GS-14 level; and

c. that Branch Chiefs be graded at the GS-15 level.

Generally speaking, Section Chiefs and Deputy Branch Chiefs also serve as senior Project Officers on major programs. All Section Chiefs within ATB are already graded at the GS-14 level; so, there is adequate precedent for this structure.

2. We have reviewed the personnel currently assigned to RED in grades below GS-13, and only two individuals, [] and [] are presently in slots which do not currently permit their promotion to the next highest grade in the natural progression leading towards the journeyman level. [] is a GS-12 in a 12 slot. [] is a GS-11 in an 11 slot. These individuals are important technical assets to RED and failure to provide headroom will most likely result in their leaving the Center. We currently have one other position in this category; [] is a GS-12 in a 12 position. However, this is an IO General rather than a Technologist-Photo, and this position would not be covered by [] memorandum, if I interpreted it correctly. Upgrading of these positions would carry RED to FY-72 when some additional adjustments would have to be made. However,

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the individuals involved currently all have a minimum of one position into which they can move.

3. I trust that this will provide you with the information that you require. If not, please contact [redacted] or myself.

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Chief, Research & Engineering Division

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